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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/233,218
Filed: January 20, 1999
Title: **Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules Associated
with the Tetrapyrrole Pathway**
Inventors: Claire A. CAJACOB *et al.*
Atty. Docket No.: 16517.231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO):

1. Appellant's Brief, including Appendix A (fifteen (15) pages) (in triplicate); and
2. Return postcard.

Please stamp the postcard with the filing date of these documents and return it to our courier.

Applicants request that the \$320.00 fee for filing a brief in support of an appeal be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing matter number 16517.231.

In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any additional fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are required in the present application, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing matter number 16517.231. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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